

#16  
B. Welch  
5/31/01

PATENT

Customer Number 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 1147-0142

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RECEIVED

FEB 01 2001

TECH CENTER 1600/2900

In re Reissue Application of: )  
U.S. Patent No. 5,750,338 )  
Mark L. Collins et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1655  
Reissue Serial No.: 09/533,906 )  
Reissue Application Filed: March 8, 2000 ) Examiner: D. Johannsen  
For: TARGET AND BACKGROUND )  
CAPTURE METHODS WITH )  
AMPLIFICATION FOR AFFINITY )  
ASSAYS )



**REISSUE LITIGATION BOX**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**NOTICE OF RELATED LITIGATION**

Further to the submission of August 7, 2000, the Patent Owner forwards papers relating to Gen-Probe's motion to file an amended complaint to assert inequitable conduct and other defenses.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please charge the fee to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW,  
GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.

Date: January 31, 2001

By: Jean Burke Fordis  
Jean Burke Fordis  
Reg. No. 32,984